

Infant and Toddler Connection (ITC)

Summary of the County Executive Work Plan Study Regarding ITC

CSB Presentation to the
Human Services Committee
Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
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ITC Work Plan-Background

- Annual growth from FY09 with 709/month to FY12 with 1155/month
- Funding shortfalls initially addressed through the use of federal ARRA funds
- Medicaid fully funds services for children, but only 30% of families have Medicaid

ITC Work Plan-Service Strategies

- Full implementation of a primary provider model:
 - Increased provider training and oversight
 - Children learn best in their natural environment with their parents/caregivers as the primary providers
 - Focus on coaching parents to use the interventions daily

ITC Work Plan-Service Strategies

- Primary provider results – Contract provider costs:
 - FY11-cost per child per month: \$417
 - FY12-cost per child per month: \$373 (savings \$425,000)
 - FY13-anticipated cost per child per month: \$326
(YTD savings-\$215,000; potential \$400,000)

ITC Work Plan-Auditor Recommendations

- Establish performance measures for billing and collections
 - Benchmarks established with DAHS and billing vendor
- Ensure financial reports provide a reliable base for monitoring and oversight
 - Billing vendor changing all reports to comply with anticipated completion by April 2013

ITC Work Plan-Lead Agency Analysis

- Local lead agency cost is \$1.2 million annually
- Staff will recommend to the CSB and Board of Supervisors maintaining the local lead agency role for the following reasons:
 - Quality assurance for a highly vulnerable population
 - Ensuring state and federal funds, which cover approximately 65% of the ITC budget, are maintained
 - Ensuring appropriate stewardship of the funds

ITC Work Plan-Other Issues

- Formally requested that the state modify family fee procedures to allow increased contribution
 - Request denied
- Continuing to problem solve authorization and collection barriers from private insurance, including Care First, Aetna, and Tricare